

Benicia Arsenal Shops-Storehouse
(Building No. 49)
Benicia Industrial Park
Benicia
Solano County
California

HABS No. CA-1838

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PHOTOGRAPHS

HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

Historic American Buildings Survey
National Architectural and Engineering Record
National Park Service
Department of the Interior
Washington, D.C. 20240

STATE California		COUNTY Solano	TOWN OR VICINITY Benicia
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Benicia Arsenal Shops-Storehouse			HABS NO. CA-1838
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Building No. 49			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) Benicia Industrial Park			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1862		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Not known	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE)			
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick			
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) T-shaped, two stories, See p. 2.			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Hipped roof, central pedimented pavilion, stone beltcourse between floors, flat stone lintels.			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Large open spaces due to suspension of second floor from roof trusses.			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Demolished mid 20th century.			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE The Benicia project was undertaken by HABS in the summer of 1976 in cooperation with Exxon Company, USA, and the Benicia Historical Society. The project supervisor was John P. White and the project historian was Robert Brueggmann.			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Four photographs from Benicia Arsenal photocopies for HABS in the 1950s. Original plans in National Archives, see p. 2.			
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Architectural Drawings in the National Archives, Cartographic Division,
Record Group 156:

"Old Shops-Storehouse at Benicia Arsenal, Building #49, Benicia Arsenal, U.S.A. April 18, 1912." Black ink on linen. 40 x 24. Contains a plan of the building and two sections. Folder 3.

"Storehouse Building No. 49, Elevations, Benicia Arsenal, U.S.A. Aug. 8, 1917." Black ink on linen. 40 x 24. Contains east, west, and north elevations. Folder 3.

"Benicia Arsenal." Black ink on paper. 23 x 19. Handwritten notation in ink: "Ord. Office March 12/59. Respectfully submitted for approval of Secretary of War." Contains elevation, plan of rear wing, and section of rear wing. Folder 1.

"Plan of Foundation and Sections of Shops." Black and red ink on paper. 33 x 22. Folder 3.

"Shops at Benicia Arsenal." Black ink on paper with pencil corrections. 24 x 19. Notation: "Ord. Office March 12, 59, Respectfully submitted for approval of secretary of War." Contains plan of front block. Folder 2.

Unlabeled drawing. Black and red ink on heavy paper. 33 x 25. Contains roof plan, plan of flooring, section of truss and suspended roof, and other truss details. Folder 4.

"Iron roof and details for the rear shop at Benicia Calif." Black and red ink on paper. 33 x 23. Folder 3.

"Details of iron roof for forging shop at Benicia Arsenal." Black ink on paper. 33 x 27. Notation in small letters: "Carl M. Stover, 1857." Folder 2.

Unlabeled drawing with two sheets of paper glued on. Black and yellow ink on paper. 19 x 25. Shows truss details and calculations on rear. Folder 4.

Unlabeled drawing. Black ink on paper. 24 x 24. Plan and details with a note in the center: "calculated Nov. 4, 1871." Folder 4.

"Windows and their details for shops at the Benicia Arsenal, Cal." Black ink on paper. 33 x 21. Shows windows and details. Folder 3.

"Exterior door and details for the shops at Benicia Arsenal, Cal." Black ink on paper. 33 x 21. Folder 3.